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It is noted that Document 1, JP 11-041429, corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,381,031, cited in the previous Information Disclosure Statement. Document 2, JP 06-284234, corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 5,463,476, which is also cited on the accompanying Form PTO-1449.

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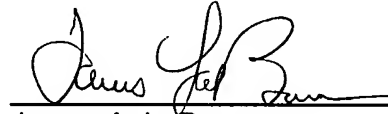
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